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RECUPERACION REVOLUCIONARIA (MIHR)
REGISTRATION ACT - CUBA
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Reference is made to my communication dated
November 8, 1960.

On November 3, 1960, the informant mentioned in the
referenced communication who has furnished reliable information
in the past advised that approximately ten persons planned to
make the trip to Cuba aboard the yacht to deliver equipment to
the captioned organization in the Escambray Mountains. Reportedly,
Rolando Gruart, a 17-year-old Cuban exile residing at
1533 Southwest Third Street, Miami, Florida, indicated he was
not going along because he had obtained employment in Miami.
Gruart allegedly saw the weapons which the captioned organization
planned to take to Cuba. He indicated they were in Miami, but
did not confide as to their specific location. Gruart indicated
the weapons consist of bazookas, antiaircraft guns, machine
guns, Belgian pistols and enough arms to equip a force of 100
men. Gruart reportedly stated that Victor Manuel Paneque y
Batista, who allegedly was second in command of the captioned
organization, had purchased the arms on a recent trip to
the northern part of the United States.

The informant on November 3, 1960, indicated that the
radio aboard the vessel was still inoperative, but the informant
believed that the work might be completed by an unidentified
individual which would permit the departure of the vessel over
this past week end.

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FROM SAC, MIAMI /105-2855/ 2P

MOVIMIENTO INSURRECCIONAL DE RECUPERACION REVOLUCIONARIA, AKA MIRR.

INTERNAL SECURITY-CUBA NEUTRALITY MATTER

IS-CUBA, NM. REMYTEL NOV. TWO LAST RE USE OF YACHT TRUDY LOU BY

MIRR FOR CLANDESTINE TRIP TO CUBA. ON NOV. THREE MM SEVEN TWO

SIX S INFORMED HE LEARNED THAT APPROX. TEN PERSONS PLAN TO MAKE

TRIP TO CUBA ON YACHT ON NOV. THREE TO DELIVER EQUIPMENT TO MIRR

IN ESCAMBRAY MTS. INFORMANT IN CONTACT WITH ROLANDO GRUART, SEVEN-

TEEN YEAR OLD CUBAN EXILE, RESIDING FIFTEEN THIRTY SW THIRD ST.,

REAR APT., MIAMI, FLA. GRUART INDICATED HAD PLANNED TO ACCOMPANY

GROUP BUT HAD OBTAINED MIAMI EMPLOYMENT AND NOT GOING. GRUART

TOLD INFORMANT HAS ACTUALLY SEEN WEAPONS WHICH MIRR PLANS TO TAKE

TO CUBA, THEY ARE IN MIAMI, BUT DID NOT CONFIDE SPECIFIC LOCATION.

GRUART SAID WEAPONS CONSIST OF BAZOOKAS, ANTI AIRCRAFT GUNS,

MACHINE GUNS, BELGIAN PISTOLS, ENOUGH ARMS FOR FORCE OF ONE HUNDRED

MEN. SAID VICTOR MANUEL PANEQUE Y BATISTA, AKA COMANDANTE DIEGO,

ALLEGEDLY SECOND IN COMMAND MIRR, PURCHASED ABOVE ARMS ON RECENT

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The "Miami Herald," a Miami, Florida, newspaper, on August 10, 1960, carried an article indicating that a number of Castro military personnel had defected and had established a counterrevolutionary movement in Cuba known as the Movimiento Insurreccional de Recuperacion Revolucionaria (MIRR). Dr. Orlando Bosch Avila, former Chief of the July 26 Movement in Las Villas Province, Cuba, was named as the MIRR delegate in exile in Miami. Bosch claimed that the MIRR is the strongest anti-Castro movement in Cuba. Victor Manuel Paneque y Batista, a former Major in the Cuban Revolutionary Army who is presently in Miami, allegedly is second in command of the MIRR.

On November 1, 1960, an informant who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that Bosch possesses a 40-foot yacht named "Trudy Lou," bearing Registration Number FL-6795. Reportedly, this yacht was docked at Just Island in the Miami River and was being outfitted with a two-way short-wave radio. Reportedly, the vessel is scheduled to make a clandestine trip to Cuba for the purpose of bringing equipment to the captioned organization in the Escambray Mountains of Cuba.

On November 2, 1960, the informant reported that the above-mentioned equipment will include a two-way portable radio. The informant suspects that small arms may also be transported and that about four men possibly will make the trip.

2 - Miami (SEE NOTE PAGE 3)
1 - 105-92195 (Paneque)

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According to information provided by the informant, the vessel is scheduled to depart in the immediate future, possibly under the command of Paneque. Bosch has also reportedly acquired a radio transmitter and receiver which operates on 4895 kilocycles, which is allegedly located at his residence at 4138 Southwest 16th Terrace. All of the above-mentioned radio equipment operates on the same frequency.

Several sources consider Paneque suspicious because of unverified rumors circulating in the Miami area to the effect that he is a Castro agent. Paneque was interviewed on October 12, 1960. He claimed to be anti-Castro and anticommunist and that he came to the United States for the purpose of organizing and soliciting aid for the captioned organization. He claimed that he had recently visited the Pentagon in Washington, D. C., where he contacted two unidentified individuals in the Department of the Navy relative to a plan for aiding anti-Castro forces in Cuba. Paneque stated he had served as Chief of Public Order, G-3, Cuban Army, from July, 1959, to September 1, 1960, when he stole a boat and left Cuba.

The foregoing information is being made available to United States Customs and United States Border Patrol in the Miami area.

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SINESIO WALSH, AN ALLEGED LEADER OF MIRR, WAS EXECUTED RECENTLY
IN CUBA ACCORDING NEWSPAPER ~~REPORTS~~ REPORTS. VICTOR MANUEL

PANEQUE Y BATISTA, FORMER MAJOR IN CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY ARMY,

NOW IN MIAMI, IS ALLEGEDLY SECOND IN COMMAND OF MIRR. ON NOVEMBER

ONE LAST, ^{MIAMI FIA} ~~MM~~ SEVEN TWO SIX DASH S ADVISED THAT BOSCH POSSESSES

FORTY FOOT LUXURY YACHT QUOTE "MURDY LOU" END QUOTE BEARING

REGISTRATION NUMBER FL DASH SIX SEVEN ZERO FIVE, NOW DOCKED

ON JUST ISLAND, MIAMI RIVER, WHICH IS BEING EQUIPPED WITH TWO

WAY SHORT WAVE RADIO. ^{FIA} THIS BOAT SCHEDULED MAKE CLANDESTINE

TRIP TO CUBA FOR PURPOSE TAKING EQUIPMENT TO MIRR IN

ESCAMBRAY MOUNTAINS OF CUBA. TODAY INFORMANT STATED EQUIPMENT

WILL INCLUDE TWO WAY PORTABLE RADIO AND SUSPECTS SMALL ARMS MAY ALSO

BE TRANSPORTED. ABOUT FOUR MEN BELIEVED SCHEDULED MAKE TRIPS.

BOAT SCHEDULED DEPART IMMEDIATE FUTURE UPON COMPLETION RADIO

INSTALLATION, PROBABLY UNDER COMMAND PANEQUE. BOSCH HAS ALSO

ACQUIRED RADIO TRANSMITTER AND RECEIVER OPERATING ON FOUR

EIGHT NINE FIVE KILOCYCLES AT HIS RESIDENCE FOUR ONE THREE

EIGHT SW ONE SIX TERRACE. ALL ABOVE RADIO EQUIPMENT OPERATES (X)(u)

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ON SAME FREQUENCYS. [BOB HOPKINS, CIA, MIAMI, HAS ADVISED THAT CIA HAS NO OPERATIONAL OR OTHER INTEREST IN MIRR OR ABOVE PLANS AND CONSIDERS THIS MATTER SUSPICIOUS AS UNVERIFIED REPORTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED THAT PANEQUE IS CASTRO AGENT.] MM DASH FOUR NINE TWO DASH S AND MRS. DANIEL VASQUEZ, ANTI CASTRO LEADER, EACH OF WHOM HAVE WIDE CONTACTS AMONG CUBAN EXILES OUTSIDE THE FRENTE REVOLUCIONARIO DEMOCRATICO, CONSIDER PANEQUE SUSPICIOUS BECAUSE OF UNVERIFIED RUMORS ~~CIRCULATING~~ CIRCULATING MIAMI THAT HE IS CASTRO AGENT, MIAMI, BUT POSSESS NO PERTINENT INFO RE MIRR NOR ITS MEMBERSHIP. PANEQUE INTERVIEWED OCTOBER TWELVE LAST BY MIAMI. HE CLAIMED TO BE ANTI CASTRO AND ANTI COMMUNIST AND CAME TO U. S. FOR PURPOSE ORGANIZING AND SOLICITING AID FOR MIRR. HE CLAIMED TO HAVE RECENTLY BEEN TO PENTAGON IN WASHINGTON, D. C. WHERE CONTACTED TWO PERSONS IN NAVY DEPT. RE PLAN FOR AIDING ANTI CASTRO FORCES IN CUBA. PANEQUE ADMITTED HAVING SERVED AS CHIEF OF PUBLIC ORDER, G DASH THREE OF CUBAN ARMY FROM JULY FIFTYNINE TO SEPTEMBER ONE LAST WHEN STOLE BOAT AND LEFT CUBA. MIAMI WILL NOTIFY U. S. CUSTOMS AND U. S. BORDER PATROL ~~IMMEDIATELY~~ IMMEDIATELY AFTER MM DASH SEVEN (X)(u)

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ANY PERTINENT INFO RE PANEQUE AND DETERMINE IF NAVY HAS
OPERATIONAL INTEREST IN HIM. MM WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH
USC, BORDER PATROL AND INFORMANTS, AND WILL ADVISE BUREAU
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operational interest in Paneque but
he had been interviewed. Garrison
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